

Remarks

This Amendment is submitted in connection with the personal conference with the Examiner

The highly beneficial cooperation of Examiner Baisa and his supervisor has been gratefully acknowledged

With the present Supplemental Amendment the claims have been amended to more clearly define the present invention.

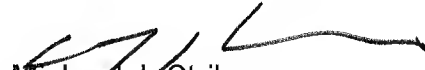
It is respectfully submitted that claim 1, the broadest claim on file, clearly and patentably distinguishes from the prior art for the reasons presented in the previous Amendment and during the personal conference.

Reconsideration and allowance of the present application with all the claims currently on file is most respectfully requested.

Should the Examiner require or consider it advisable that the specification, claims and/or drawings be further amended or corrected in formal respects in order to place this case in condition for final allowance, then it is respectfully requested that such amendments or corrections be carried out by Examiner's Amendment, and the case be passed to issue. Alternatively, should

the Examiner feel that a personal discussion might be helpful in advancing this case to allowance; he is invited to telephone the undersigned (at 631-549-4700).

Respectfully submitted,

A handwritten signature in black ink, appearing to read "Michael J. Striker", with a long horizontal flourish extending to the right.

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